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1. Three open hearth ovens were constructed in Huta Batory in Chorzow (Q51/Y57) during 1951. This has increased the number of open hearth ovens in Huta Batory to eight. The plant also has five electrical furnaces; of these, two were constructed by the Czechs in 1951-1952.
2. Two open hearth ovens were recently constructed in Huta 1-go Maja in Gliwice (Gleiwitz-Q51/Y37). This has increased the number of open hearth ovens in this foundry to 13.
3. During the period 1951-1952 four open hearth ovens were constructed in Huta Bankowa in Dabrowa Gornicza (Q51/Y77). This has increased the number of open hearth ovens in this foundry to eight or nine.
4. Four ovens are being constructed in Huta Pokoj in Nowy Bytom. An underground conveyor connecting Huta Pokoj with the Pokoj mine has been constructed by Mostostal.
5. The construction of an electric power plant in Dabrowa Gornicza has been completed. Six or seven of the turbines in the newly constructed electric power plant in Huta Kosciuszko are of East German production.
6. From June 1950 until March 1952, Mostostal constructed at least 180 cranes having a weight lifting capacity of 40 to 50 tons.
7. Approximately 800 persons are employed in the farm machinery plant located on ul. Wolnosci in Zabrze (Hindenburg-Q51/Y47).

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